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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Regarding the LightSquared Technical Working Group Report, IB
Docket No. 11-109

Dear Ms. Dortch:

It has come to my attention that a wireless company called LightSquared is currently working with the FCC to develop a new 4G-LTE wireless communications and data network. I ask that you work to expedite the launch of this important new service.

Demand for high-speed wireless data is growing extremely rapidly, as mobile handheld devices become ubiquitous. It is essential to our state's economic competitiveness that we continue to build out our mobile broadband infrastructure. LightSquared is a privately funded, market-based solution that would not only bring mobile broadband to more people in our state, but would create jobs at a time when they are sorely needed.

I also understand that LightSquared's network would be the first to combine ground-based cells with satellite communications, and that first responders are eager for this technology, which would create a seamless backup in the case of natural disasters, terrorist attacks or other emergencies.

Thank you for your leadership in expanding mobile broadband capacity and availability in our state.

Sincerely,

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